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ANNIVERSARY

Vikings Win
Two Games

The Grayling High Vikings continued their undefeated basketball season last week by taking a pair of games. They defeated Fairview at Mio on Tuesday and took the measure of Harbor Springs there last Friday evening.

Grayling had little trouble in tripping Fairview last Tuesday by the lopsided score of 56 to 24. In the first quarter, Grayling racked up 9 points and held Fairview scoreless. The Vikings added 17 points to their total in the second quarter while Fairview managed to score 7. Grayling led 26 to 7 at halftime. In the third period, Grayling outscored Fairview 22 to 11 and in the final period, the Vikings scored 8 to Fairview's 6.

Marv Bleski with 16 and Richard Hamilton with 13 led the Vikings. Roger Kessler added 9 points; Bob Barnett and Jerry Korhonen 6 each, Dale Pettengill 4 and Allan Luckstead 2. John Schofield, Richard Klein and Monte Maloney all saw action but failed to crack the scoring column. Stevens with 9 points was the high man for Fairview.

On Friday evening the Vikings took the measure of the Harbor Springs Rams with a 58 to 30 score. Grayling scored 11, 15, 21 and 11 points in each of the four quarters respectively while holding the Rams to 4, 10, 8 and 8. Richard Hamilton was the heavy artillery for the Vikings as he poured in 28 points. Bleski added 10, Barnett 6, Luckstead and Korhonen 4 each, Pettengill, 3 Maloney 2 and Klein 2. Schofield and Kessler also were in the game but failed to score. Seeley with 9 was high point man for the Rams.

The Viking reserve team continued unbeaten also as they easily turned back the Fairview second team Tuesday night and walloped the Little Rams Friday by a 64 to 34 score. Lloyd Failing and Jim Parkinson with 14 each led the Viking second team scoring.

Kiwanis Club
Notes

Dr. Ralph Hoffman was inducted as the newest member of the Kiwanis Club of Grayling at the weekly meeting held Monday evening at Jerry's Ranch. He was inducted by Lt. Governor Earl R. Burns in a short, simple ceremony. Dr. Hoffman was formerly a member of the Saginaw Kiwanis Club and so the usual induction form was forgone.

President Don Gothro announced that the club members would go to the Grayling school next Monday night after the meeting to work with members of the Grayling Woman's Club in wrapping and preparing gifts of toys and clothing for distribution on Christmas Eve.

North Pole? Bahl! Santa's Safe in Turkey

St. Nicholas, less formally known as Santa Claus, was born, lived and "died" in the wordy — became a legend in the balmy climate of southern Turkey. The patron saint of children never shivered on an icy glacier.

He lived out his life, some 1600 years ago, in Myra, the present-day Demre, in the province of Antalya — Florida of the Mediterranean — where waterfalls cascade into the sea and white-crested mountains add majestic variety to the landscape.

St. Nicholas was Bishop of Myra for 17 years, 325 to 362 A.D. His church and sarcophagus are still to be found at Demre. It was here that his generous acts became legendary and gave him the "Santa Claus" character we know today.

This most jovial saint had reason to be happy in his surroundings. Antalya has been an Eden throughout history. Many travelers still come here by land and sea to pay happy homage to his cheerful spirit.



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Preliminary Plans For School
Expansion Nearing Completion

Nearly ten years ago, it was apparent that the Grayling Public School buildings were inadequate for the steadily increasing enrollment and continually expanding program. At that time, the Grayling Board of Education had some plans drawn up under the Michigan Planning Commission project.

After studying the plans with the State Department of Public Instruction, it was decided that they were not the best solution to the problem and they were laid aside.

Conditions changed somewhat and school enrollment leveled off for a few years. However by 1950, it was plainly evident by the National census that by 1952, a record breaking enrollment in the kindergarten was due to take place. High school classes are steadily growing in size and unless more classrooms are made available in the immediate future, some other

adjustment will definitely have to be made in the school program. During this past year, the Board of Education has been working with an architect. Different plans have been studied and the Board now has the plan of expansion and remodeling that they believe meets the Grayling Schools needs today with adequate allowance for the probable growth in enrollments in the years to come.

Present plans call for a new gymnasium, stage, complete locker room facilities, both for boys and girls, a band and music area, a hot lunch kitchen and eating space including a place for community use. It is proposed that this structure be erected on the lots now owned by the School District across Spruce street from the present school building.

The present gym would be remodeled into classrooms on both floors. This added classroom space would make it possible to enlarge and modernize such school departments as home-making, commerce and natural science.

As soon as more complete plans are available, they will be presented and discussed with as many people and groups as possible. The present need is self evident. Future need for more space is also hardly questionable. The program must be initiated at once, school authorities state, in order that the present students and future classes will not be deprived of a fair equal chance at education.

As one Grayling School official said, "to be ready for tomorrow we must act today."

JAMES CAMERON
LAID TO REST

James Alonzo Cameron was laid to rest in Elmwood Cemetery, Tuesday, December 15th following services held at his home at 2:00 P. M. The Rev. R. C. Puffer officiated and Mrs. June Taylor presented special music. Grandsons of the deceased acted as pallbearers.

Mr. Cameron was born in White Lake, Canada, to John and Elizabeth Cameron on May 11, 1870. Coming to the States he attended school in Standish, Michigan and on March 6th, 1893, married Cora Bell Fox in Standish. They moved to Grayling some forty years ago.

He passed away at his home here on Sunday, December 13th, having been in ill health for fifteen years. He is survived by his wife, a daughter, Fern Hazel Macaulay of Grayling and two sons, Loyl James Cameron, address unknown, and Owen Clarence of Mulberry, Arkansas. A daughter, Ione Bell, preceded her father in death.

Hospital Aid
Elects Officers

At the regular meeting of Mercy Hospital Aid Society held at the Nurses Home Thursday afternoon, election of officers for the ensuing year took place. Mrs. George Smiggen is the new president, replacing Mrs. George Griffith; Mrs. Ruth Jinek, vice president; Mrs. Roy Trudegon, secretary; Mrs. Lorne J. Douglas, treasurer; Mrs. Trudegon presided at the meeting in the absence of Mrs. Griffith. The next meeting of the society will be held on Jan. 14, 1954.

WHAT - WHERE - WHEN

Dec. 17 — Hospital Aid benefit luncheon and card party. 1:00 P. M., Shoppemogons Inn.
Dec. 17 — Our Gang Xmas Party at Grace Hall. 6:30 dinner. Rehearsal of Secret Pals.
Dec. 18 — Square dance. High School Gym. Sponsored by the Sr. Class. 8 P. M. Public invited.
Dec. 18 — L. N. L. Xmas party. Grange Hall. 6:30 dinner. husbands invited. Gifts exchanged.
Dec. 18 — Apron and Bake Sale by St. Mary's Altar Society. Peterson's Hardware. Beginning at 11:00 A. M.
Dec. 20 — Children's Christmas program. Mt. Hope Lutheran Church. 7:30 P. M.
Dec. 20 — Christmas program. M. M. Church. 7:00 p. m.
Dec. 25 — Regular evening Church service. Mt. Hope Lutheran Church. 7:30 P. M.
Jan. 20 — G.H.S. Auditorium. Grayling Sportsmen's Club. Conservation Department guest speaker. Public invited.
Regular meeting, First Thursday of every month. Grayling Lodge 356, F. and A. M.

Announce Engagement



Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Bedard of Detroit recently announced the engagement of their daughter, Eugenia Marie to William Duane Sloan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Claude Sloan of Grayling. No date has been set for the wedding as yet. Miss Bedard is a student nurse at Mt. Carmel Mercy Hospital in Detroit.

O.E.S.-Masons
Hold Christmas
Party

A lovely time was had at Masonic Temple when the Eastern Stars and families entertained the Masons and families on Wednesday evening, Dec. 9th.

About 130 were at the potluck supper and there was more than plenty for everyone. Later a program was presented with Roberta Wright at chairman, and a lot of fun and laughs were had.

Santa Claus came and helped hand out stockings of candy to the little folks and had quite a time explaining where his reindeer were.

Mrs. Taylor and Mr. Kumpula played while a few stayed to dance awhile.

Margaret Magee had the dining room decorated with a lovely Xmas tree and boughs and red poinsettia around the room. She also took charge of the kitchen committee.

LOCAL NEWS

Mrs. Carl Henry Nielson, Jr., Mrs. Edna McEvers and Miss Wilma McLeod were co-hostesses at a surprise stork shower honoring Mrs. Douglas McDaniel at the Nielson home Friday evening. Seventeen ladies attended bringing many lovely gifts for the honored guest who was also presented with the prizes won for games.

The Matilda Bauman Circle met at Michelson Memorial Church last Friday for a 1:00 potluck and what was once the "Mitten Tree." The Mitten Tree has been expanded to include other gifts for children, all of which are turned over to the Kiwanis Club in co-operation with their Christmas project.

Word was received by Earl Marshall Monday that his brother, Robert had passed away Monday in Detroit at the age of 64. Earl and son, Melvin, planned to attend the final rites.

Allan Stevenson and his guest, Miss Marilyn Brown student at Albion College were week end guests of Dr. and Mrs. C. G. Clippert at Lake Margrethe.

Johnny Sorenson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Sorenson, is now a great big six years old and on Saturday his mother invited in eight of his little friends to help him celebrate the occasion. Games were enjoyed and refreshments served. Decorations were in the Christmas motif.

Dr. Stanley Stealy is enjoying a two weeks vacation and is visiting his uncle, Lundy Houth, and sons, Spencer and Gordon Houth and their families in Friona, Texas.

Christmas Program At
Free Methodist Church

The annual Christmas program of the Free Methodist Sunday school will be presented Monday evening, December 21st at 7:30 P. M. The program consists of the Christmas story centered around a number of pictures in color depicting the birth of Jesus.

There is a young people's choir, a children's choir and also there will be several quartet and duet numbers. Several of the children have recitations fitting into the story as it continues.

All are cordially invited to attend this program and at the same time see how the work has been progressing on the new addition to the church.

Holiday Contest
Judging Sunday

Judging for the winners of the City of Grayling sponsored Christmas holiday home decoration contest will start next Sunday and will continue through December 30. It was pointed out today by City Manager Russell Carlson.

There will be ten prizes that are really worth working for. The first prize will be a free utility bill to the winner from the City of Grayling for the months of January, February and March. This includes the utility charges for electric, water and sewer and can amount to quite an item. Second prize will be free utility bill for January and February while third prize will be a free utility bill for the month of January. The next seven winners will be termed as "honorable mention" and each will receive one-half off on their January utility bills.

The judges of the contest will remain anonymous. To be eligible, the home owner who is decorating his home, must be connected with the City of Grayling for at least some of his utilities. Those living outside of the city limits will still be considered eligible in the contest providing they use Grayling city produced power. The only residents, who are not eligible for the prizes are members of the City Council and employees of the City.

Bear Indies At
Charlevoix Tonight

The Bear Archery Independents are in Charlevoix tonight to play the Charlevoix Independents. This is the team's only scheduled game for this week.

Last Saturday night, they met a Pinconning Independent team at the Grayling High Gym and dropped the decision by ten points in a really exciting contest. It appeared that Grayling outplayed the visitors on the floor but could not seem to hit the basket. The visitors displayed a deadly shooting eye, cashing in on a very high percentage of their shots.

The preliminary game was played between the Manton Independents and a quickly picked up team when Cadillac Overall who was slated to meet Manton failed to make their appearance. Manton who has a very fine team won handily.

Our Weather

'Courtesy Fish Hatchery'			
Dec.	High	Low	
1	38	18	
2	37	20	
3	47	35	
4	52	38	
5	36	26	
6	42	29	
7	44	26	
8	44	27	
9	40	18	
10	33	23	
11	39	24	
12	35	26	
13	32	21	
14 none	34	15	
Rain-Snow			
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3	trace snow 32 rain		
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14	.09 melted snow and rain	1"	

Jean Millikin of Grayling is spending a couple of days here at her parent's home, the Ralph Millikins.

Grayling City Council Approves
Lighted Recreation Area In ParkAlso Close Street
Resolve Dam Removal

The Grayling City Council at their regular December meeting Monday evening approved the construction of a lighted recreation area in the City Park with funds to come from donations of the public at large. They dedicated the entire park in the same resolution as a "Memorial Park."

Mayor A. L. Roberts offered the motion and it was supported by Wilbur Simpson. It passed unanimously. Mayor pro tem Don K. Gothro and City Manager Russell Carlson were named by Mayor Roberts to act in the city's interest in the citizen's committee which are planning the lighted area. Later in the evening, School Board President Jerome Kessler named Bill Joseph of the School Board and School Superintendent Frank L. Bond of the school administration to act on the same committee.

Two Musical
Programs Enjoyed

Two very fine musical programs have been enjoyed at Grayling High School by parents and friends during the past two weeks. The band concert on Monday evening, December 7th, and the Glee Club Cantata on Sunday afternoon, December 13th.

The band presented a fine performance including novelty numbers which were greatly enjoyed. It was especially interesting to note the progress of the beginners band which had been working only six weeks.

The cantata was well presented. Decorations in the assembly room where it was held were in the Christmas motif, the walls on either side of the stage bearing large red flaming candles.

Over the top of the stage was written the word Noel. On either side of which were musical notes. The green of the Glee Club gowns further carried out the Yuletide theme, the over all picture looking like a giant Christmas card.

Mr. Christian, band director and Mrs. Milnes Glee Club director, are to be complimented on their achievement as of course are all the young people who took part. Both programs represent much time and effort spent on the part of all.

MRS. TILLIE SNYDER
PASSES ON

Mrs. Tillie Snyder, resort owner succumbed at her home at Jones Lake on December 9th, at the age of 62. She had been ill about a year. Services were held at the Sorenson Funeral Home on Saturday, December 12th at 2:00 p. m. The Rev. R. C. Puffer officiated and burial was in the Frederic Cemetery. Serving as pallbearers were Arthur Howe, William Long, Clyde Smith, Don Wilson, Pete Eggesberg and Amos Albright.

Mrs. Snyder was born in Grand Rapids, Ohio to Walter and Treasa Savage on July 15th, 1891. In October 1912 she married Burt Snyder in Monroe. He preceded her in death. She came to Jones Lake from Grand Rapids, Ohio, in 1937 where she owned a resort but usually spent her winters in Ohio.

Surviving is a daughter, Mrs. K. W. Pringle of Toledo, Ohio; six grand-children and two brothers, Lee Savage of Jones Lake and Charles Savage of Toledo.

Mercy Hospital News

Among those confined to Mercy Hospital are Mrs. Mary Bidvia, Larry McMeux, Bortha Millikin, Mrs. Mary Pettengill, George Petruska, Bernice Riley, Geneva Soper, Keith Sorenson, Mrs. Myrtle Strong of Grayling and Mrs. Eva Kimball and James Wilson of Frederic, Laura Brower and Helen Jurck of Grayling, Daniel McMillan of Ubley and Charles Warner of Erie.

A baby girl, Tracy Ann, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Roy C. Roper, Jr., at Mercy Hospital on December 10th. Tracy weighed 6 pounds 6 1/2 ounces.

Grayling City Council Approves
Lighted Recreation Area In Park

A petition for closing Spruce Street between Ottawa and Ogemaw Streets to offer more safety to the school children and to aid a school enlargement program was to have a public hearing at the Monday night meeting. As there were no objections received by the Council prior to the meeting or at the meeting, a resolution was passed to close the street. Mayor Roberts offered the resolution and it was supported by Councilman Gothro and passed unanimously.

The Council also went on record as favoring the removal of the dam on the AuSable River at the US-27 bridge. It was said by spokesmen of the Grayling Sportsmen's Club who attended the meeting that the Conservation Department after receiving the approval of the City Council would remove the structure. It was thought that a coffer dam would be constructed a little way up stream and the present dam removed. Then the impounded water would be released gradually and the coffer dam removed. The Department would clean out the stream bed, improve the stream edges and plant the now backed up area with trout. A letter from Fred A. Westernman, chief of the Fish Division of the Department pointed out in a letter to the Council that the removal of the dam was approved by the Department. He said that the impounded water kept water temperatures too high for trout and impeded the movement of fish upstream. Sportsmen's Club spokesmen pointed out that with the removal of the Michigan Public Service Company's dam further up river, there was no longer any need for the US-27 dam. Councilman Emil Tahvonen offered the motion and it was supported by Gothro. It received an "all yeas" vote.

RITES READ FOR
MRS. MARY FLAGG

Funeral services for Mrs. Mary M. Flagg, who passed away on November 30th at the Sheltown Convalescent Home in Grayling were held at the Sorenson Funeral Home on December 3rd at 2:00 o'clock. The Rev. R. C. Puffer, of Michelson Memorial Church officiated at the services and Mrs. June Taylor presented special music. Interment was in Elmwood Cemetery, and old friends and neighbors were the pallbearers and included: Nels Nielsen, Edwin Pratt, Howard Bunker, Frank Serven, Melvin Enyart and Dewey Palmer.

Mrs. Flagg, who had reached the ripe age of 87 years, had been more or less of an invalid for the past five years and her passing came following a complication of illnesses due to the infirmities of old age.

Born in Ohio on August 31, 1866, Mary M. Mettert was the daughter of the late George and Margaret Mettert. Married to Elmer J. Sales, he passed away October 22, 1898, and she was united in marriage in 1900 to David Flagg in Grayling.

Surviving the deceased is one son, Jess Sales, two grandchildren, Mrs. Margaret McGee and Miss Christine Sales, two great-grandchildren, Sandy and Jimmie McGee, all of Grayling. There are also 5 half sisters and four half brothers who survive. A daughter, Charlotte, and a son, Frank, preceded their mother in death.

Here for the funeral from out of town were Mr. and Mrs. William Whitehead, St. Louis, Mich.

Women's Bowling Notice

Friday League
Because Christmas Day falls on Friday the bowling for that day will be rolled on Sunday, December 27th at 4 and 6 P. M.

Mary Mistletoe says...
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WANT ADS

NOTICE — All classified ads are to be paid for in advance unless the advertiser has already established good credit at this office. *Avalanche Office.*

Chain Saws

Homelite, Lombard and Titan Chain Saw Sales and Service. Chain saws for rent. *Clare Madsen, Grayling, Phone 2553.*

FRANK'S PLUMBING SHOP—3 miles north of Grayling on U.S. 27. Free estimates. Plumbing material and fixtures. Pumps, pumps, Briggs Beauty Water. *Frank L. Millikin, Route 1, Grayling, Mich. 6-87.*

NOW AVAILABLE—On Allied Builders Credit Budget Plan, a famous Timken Wall-Flame oil burner. Convert your furnace now for even, easy to care for heat. Saves up to 25 percent on fuel. *B.C.D. Company, 306 Michigan Ave., Phone 3331.*

FOR SALE—100 percent pure motor oil in your own containers. 60¢ per gallon. *Hi-Way Auto Parts, on US-27, 5 miles south of Grayling.*

FOR SALE—Red cocker spaniel puppies. Females, \$10; male, \$15. *Tom Robertson, 510 Ottawa St., Phone 4316.*

NEW AND USED—Auto parts for most makes and model cars. Tires and batteries. *Hi-Way Auto Parts, 5 miles south of Grayling on US-27.*

SEE THE NOTED—Fringe area television receiver by Sylvania at the B.C.D. Company, 306 Michigan Avenue. *Phone 3331.*

ALL M.J. MARSHALL for crane and bulldozer work, concrete pouring, concrete on road gravel, mortar and fill sand. *Phone 3261. 465 McClellan, on US-27.*

METHYL BASE ANTI-FREEZE 99 cents gal. in your container; new batteries, written guarantee, \$10.95 exchange and up. *Hi-Way Auto Parts, US-27, 5 miles south of Grayling.*

FOR SALE—Michigan Avenue, 7-room home by owner. Terms available. *John H. Peterson.*

FILING—Hand saws, axes, knives and lawn mowers sharpened. *Ed Bowen, 704 Ionia St., Phone 4341.*

WOMEN WANTED—Housewives. Address—advertising postcards. Must have good handwriting. *LINDO, Watertown, Mass.*

MIMOGRAPH PAPER—5411, in 500 sheet packages. *Avalanche Office.*

THREE ROOM APARTMENT—For rent, completely furnished. Frigidaire, oil for heating, gas for cooking. Private entrance. *Mrs. S. D. Dunham, 607 Ottawa Phone 3891.*

MODERN FURNISHED APARTMENT CABIN FOR RENT—All utilities furnished. *Phone 3981. 403 Cedar St.*

WANTED—Girl or young lady for general housework in modern home with all conveniences. Have own room and \$30 per week. Write Box L, c/o Avalanche for further particulars.

HURRY—HURRY—HURRY—Have us erect your TV antenna before Christmas. Buy your set anywhere, we'll install the best in TV antennas. *Don's Radio Shop, Phone 4561 or 2973.*

IF YOU WISH TO ORDER advertising match folders call 3111 (The Avalanche) and someone will call on you to show samples and quote prices.

200 AMP HOBART PORTABLE DC WELDER for sale or will rent with or without operator. *Clayton McDonnell, Phone 4241.*

FOR SALE—Baby Bed and High Chair. *Mrs. Burton McWilliams, Phone 4322.*

FOR SALE—Three formal, size 12. *Phone 3976.*

FOR SALE—Electric range. *Phone 2506 after 6 P. M.*

1937 FOR PICKUP FOR SALE—In good condition. Call 3576 days or 3990 after 5:00 P. M.

GIRLS' WHITE SHOE ICE SKATES FOR SALE—Size 6. \$5.00. *Mary Richardson, Phone 2151.*

FOR SALE—Sewing machine, high chair, breakfast set, 8x10 wool and fiber rug. *Mrs. Clement Blaine, Phone 3246.*

FOR SALE—Cheap. Winter coat fits size 18 to 20. Solid mahogany secretary, three way floor lamp. *Grinnell, eight miles west of Grayling on M-72, turn left on River View Road, one mile.*

FOR SALE—Two 600x16 knobby tread snow tires, good condition, \$18.00. *Jack Wade, Phone 4128.*

FOR SALE—Double kitchen sink with fixtures. *Phone 2231.*

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Monthly Service Rate \$8.75

FEMALE HELP WANTED—Start earning substantial income immediately. Avon Cosmetics has opening in Grayling for energetic woman with car. Write Louise Best, Traverse City. 17

PULP CUTTERS WANTED—Housing furnished. See Arthur Gleason, Luzerne, Mich. 10-17

Boy Scouts Hold Court of Honor

The Court of Honor on December 8th arranged by Grayling Boy Scout Troop 77 was attended by 42 boys and 25 grown-ups. Besides the six boys that became Second Class Scouts and three that got their Tenderfoot pins—already mentioned by name in The Avalanche—three more boys became Tenderfoots also. *Edwin Skinner, Jon Lennert and James Dyett.*

The Troop wants to thank the mothers that gave ten fine cakes and worked in the kitchen. December 12th five cars drove 26 boys to West Branch High School for a short session from 1:30 to 4, on patrol work and patrol leadership. The Scouts will enjoy their Christmas vacation at home; and the next regular Scout meeting will be Tuesday, January 5th, 1934 at 7 P. M.

L. N. L. Elects Officers

At a recent meeting of Camp Wagner, No. 10 the following were elected to office for the ensuing year:

President, Bonnie Wakeley; 1st vice president, Dolly Kennedy; 2nd vice president, Elsie LaMoite; treasurer, Lucille Wales; chaplain, Edna Feldhauser; marshal, Marguerite Leslie; assistant marshal, Ellanora Moshier; sentinel, Celia Budd; picket, Pearl Mathews; secretary, Eureka Stephan (appointed); colorbearer, Emma Knibbs (appointed); musician, June Taylor (appointed); and Junior Counselor, Marguerite Leslie.

An open installation will be held January 8th. Plans were made for the Xmas party to be held December 19th at the Grange Hall with a 6:30 dinner. Husbands invited. Cards and Xmas tree with gift exchange. Gift not to exceed 75¢ nor less than 50¢. Refreshment committee to plan the dinner. *Ellanora Moshier, Hattie Moshier, Boris Palmer and Elizabeth Serven.*

Serving committee and decorations: Emma Knibbs, Bonnie Wakeley and Lucille Wales. Entertainment, Elsie LaMoite and Eureka Stephan.

Mystery prize sponsored by Marguerite Leslie and won by Celia Budd.

Marguerite Leslie will furnish the January Birthday cake.

Bonnie Wakeley.

R. L. D. S. Church News

On Monday, December 7th and Tuesday, December 8th a combined round table discussion and business meeting was held at the church with Elder Harry L. Doty, district president, from Traverse City in charge. The meeting on Monday evening was devoted mainly to leadership instruction. At the business meeting on Tuesday evening, Elder Roy Newberry resigned as pastor of the Grayling Branch because of ill health. He plans to go to Independence, Mo., for the rest of the winter. Elder Newberry has been with us since our organization as a church school and later as a Branch. He will be greatly missed by all who know him. Elder Merle Howard, son-in-law of Elder Newberry was voted in as our new pastor.

In the absence of Pastor Merle Howard, the Sunday morning preaching service of December 13th was in charge of Dan Babbitt with Kenneth Ashton assisting. The choir sang the anthem, "Sweet Peace the Gift of God's Love."

Elder Allen Schreuer of Gaylord will be on the Gaylord Radio Station WATC, at 9:30 each morning of the week beginning December 21st.

Our family Christmas party will be held at the Grange Hall on Friday, December 18th at 7:30. Each person will bring a small gift suitable for oneself to be exchanged. There will be treats for all.

Our Church school Christmas program will begin at 10 A. M. Sunday morning. There will be the children's program first, followed with a cantata by the Junior and Senior choirs. This program will comprise the entire morning service for Sunday, December 20th. The public is invited.

Tressa Stephan.

Maple Forest

Dear Friends: I am sending all of you greetings for a Merry Christmas and a Glad New Year through our weekly paper. I am not well enough to write the Christmas letters to you I so dearly love to send. *Mrs. Hugh McMillan, 401 N. Saginaw, Holly.*

The Home Extension Club met at the home of Dora Feldhauser on Tuesday night. Final plans were discussed for the Community Christmas party and program. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Jack Stillwagon on Tuesday, December 22nd at 8:00 P. M. This will be our Christmas party and everyone will bring a gift for exchange.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Parsons spent Sunday at Houghton Lake, calling on Mr. Parsons' sister, Mr. and Mrs. Esra Barber, who reside there.

The Community Christmas party will be held at the Town Hall on Saturday night, December

18th, with the program beginning at 9:00 o'clock. A play cast of sixteen, have been busy with studying and practicing the play of "The Beanville Community Tree." Also there will be several other added attractions on the program. Potluck lunch will follow Santa Claus' visit. Everyone welcome.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Feldhauser left on Sunday for Wyandotte, where Mrs. Feldhauser will visit her sister, Mrs. Robert Andrus, while Jack will attend a mechanical training course in "Cadillac Hydramatic" in Detroit, this week.

Mrs. Vaughn Weaver has gone to Buchanan to spend the winter with Mr. Weaver, who is employed there.

Our sympathy to the family of Mrs. Tillie Snyder, who passed away suddenly this week at her home at Jones Lake.

Herbert Wilcox has arrived home from Germany, where he has been stationed with the U. S. Army.

Edmond Howse has gone to Grand Rapids, where he has employment.

Ernie Winston is home spending some time with his family, after being away working through the summer and fall.

Grace Woodburn of Grand Rapids was here for the week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Woodburn.

Herbert Wilcox and Ardith Winston went to Grand Rapids on Monday.

Ernie Dale and Emma Jean Lozon of Grayling spent the week end at the home of their uncle, Ed Lozon.

Mrs. Jack Feldhauser, entertained her bowling team with a chicken dinner on Wednesday night.

Wanda Yoder, Reporter

Vikings Band Notes

During basketball season we will feature a number of student Directors. Each one will direct one game. Their responsibility will be the same as our director, Mr. Christian's would be. They must select the music, practice with the band on it and see that everything goes smoothly. Those students who have volunteered to take the responsibility are: Wanda Yoder at the Charlevoix game on Dec. 15; Mary Richardson at the Harrison game on Dec. 18; Marion Millikin at the Mancelona game on Jan. 19; Jean Malloy at the Fairview game on Jan. 26; Jack Smith at the Harbor Springs game on Jan. 29; Sylvia Robertson at the Kalkaska game on Feb. 12; Tom Kearney at the St. Francis game on Feb. 19; Pat Thompson at the Gaylord game on Feb. 23.

We have nine home games and eight directors so they will compete against each other and the one who directs the best game will be able to direct the last one too.

Wanda Yoder, Reporter

COUNTY NEWS

Brownie Scouts met last Tuesday at the home of their leader, Mrs. Raymond Brown. 10 members were present. The girls have completed their scrap books, also their Brownie dolls. Wednesday evening the girls met to pack a box for the Good Will Mission at Saginaw.

Mr. and Mrs. Norris Reed of Clio spent the week end here. Brownie Scouts Xmas party on Saturday afternoon. Mothers as guests.

Mike Harmer who celebrated his birthday Sunday entertained about 15 of his class mates at a party Monday after school. After lunch, served by his mother, the boys and girls enjoyed the snow that fell on the hill near his home.

Mrs. Maurice Alma entertained her Sunday School class Thursday noon for dinner. Seven members were present. After dinner a short meeting was held after which the girls went over their parts for the Xmas program.

Leut. John O'Dowd has returned home after a visit with friends here.

Last rites were held Saturday afternoon for Mrs. Tillie Snyder, who operated Snyder's Camp at Jones Lake. She passed away Wednesday of last week at her summer home at Jones Lake.

Correction: The Mom's Xmas party was held at school house instead of Sportsmen's Hall as was planned.

Word was received Sunday shortly after noon of the sudden death of Mrs. Myron Hinkle, mother of Cleo and Bernie Hinkle of Frederic, at her home in Jackson. Interment took place Wednesday afternoon at which time Hinkles Grocery at Frederic will be closed from 12 noon till 3 p.m.

Mr. and Mrs. Cleo Hinkle and son, Jerry, and Harold J. Mertens spent the week end at Detroit. Cleo attended a M. U. C. C. meeting while Cora, Jerry and Harold J. did some shopping.

TV seems to be the subject of conversation the past few days as several homes installed it over the week end.

Bud Taylor of Detroit was a caller in town over the week end. Roy Newberry was one of the drivers of cars involved in accidents Monday. The Newberry car rolled over just south of Frederic. Mr. Newberry was fortunate to escape from being injured.

Miss Kate Ferris spent the week end with Mrs. Ted Leng at the Ace Leng residence.

Mrs. Ace Leng was in Traverse City with Mr. Leng for the week end.

Grayling Fire Department News

Meeting for the week of Dec. 14th called to order at 7:30 P. M. Minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. 16 members were present. There were no fires reported during the week.

Mr. Carlson was present at our meeting Dec. 7th and another discussion was held on the possibility of buying a new township fire truck.

This coming Thursday, Dec. 17th four firemen will go to Lansing and on Saturday, Dec. 19th four men will go to Muskegon to witness and take part in the demonstration of fire equipment and fire fighting.

Next Monday the 21st election of new officers will be held for the coming year.

Mt. Hope Church Elects Officers

Following the regular church services last Sunday evening, members of the women's guild and voters of the Mt. Hope Lutheran Church held their regular monthly meeting.

The men elected officers for the coming year with Harry Hoel re-elected president, Ed Stensrud re-elected secretary and Matt Bidvia re-elected treasurer. Wesley Hayes was elected as financial secretary. William Lemke as elder for a 3 year term and Arno Flagens as a trustee for a 3 year term.

On Sunday evening, December 20, the Children's Christmas program will be held at 7:30 P. M. with a party for all to follow. A regular church service will be held at 7:30 on Friday evening, December 25.

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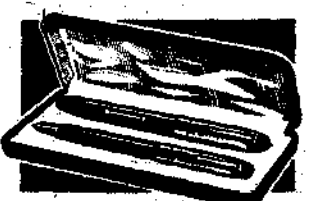
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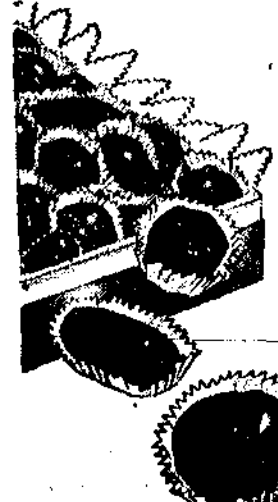
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Bits O' Talk

Miss Lucille Wakeley has given up her teaching duties at the Lake City High School owing to illness and has returned home here for the present.

Mr. and Mrs. Dewey Palmer spent Friday in Bay City on business.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy C. Roper Jr. of Karen Woods are happy over the birth of a daughter Tracy Ann at Mercy Hospital on Dec. 10th.

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Mrs. J. L. Martin and Mrs. Thomas Haugh were hostess at a birthday party Friday afternoon for two members of their birthday group, Mrs. Philip Smith and Mrs. Carl Richardson. It was held at the Haugh home.

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Mrs. Minnie Lynch expected to leave Wednesday for Bay City to remain for the winter months.

Dr. and Mrs. Gerald Gibbons spent a week in Lansing, Ann Arbor and Detroit, visiting their sons, also the Doctor's twin brother Dr. Charles Gibbons of Detroit. On Sunday Dec. 6th in a party of eight from Detroit the Gibbons attended Handel's Messiah at the University of Michigan auditorium in Ann Arbor, with a dinner party afterwards.

Grayling Motel is closed for the season.

Mrs. Raymond Carpenter has returned to Holly Hill, Florida, and Mrs. James Halford is visiting in Lansing and Detroit before returning to her home in Seattle, Washington, both after visiting here at the home of their sister Mrs. Calvin Church.

The address on the Avalanche of Mrs. George Kraus is being directed to Miami Beach, Florida, from Glenview, Illinois, which probably means that Mrs. Kraus is spending some time there.

Lovells Home Extension

The Women's Home Demonstration Club of Lovells met Thursday, December 3, at the home of Mrs. Harold Johnston.

Ten ladies were present and all enjoyed the Christmas decorations in Mrs. Johnston's home, where there were gifts for everyone present, under the little lighted tree.

Aprons were on display for those who wanted patterns and the lesson for the month was on basket weaving.

After a lovely luncheon, games were played and Mrs. Edythe Spaulding sang White Christmas and played Santa Claus by distributing the gifts.

The meeting was closed when it was decided all would meet again Jan. 20, 1954 at the home of Mrs. J. S. Renaud.

Assembly of God Church News

Rev. Nathan Birdwell of the Grayling Assembly of God Church announces that, on Sunday, December 20, he will bring two separate messages to the church congregation. The morning service message will be "God's Gift to the World" and in the evening service the message will be "Man's Thanksgiving to God."

Rev. Birdwell also wishes to thank the boys who helped him last Saturday with their generous aid, a large load of wood was thrown into the Church basement and stacked up.

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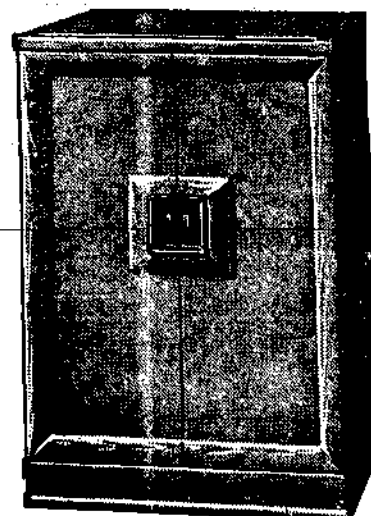
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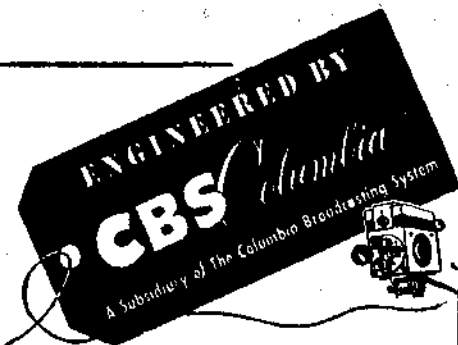
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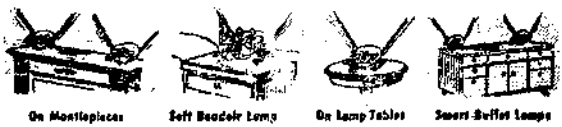
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Bits O' Talk

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Perry of Detroit and Mrs. William Tatro of Flint accompanied Mrs. William LaRush on her return from Detroit and visited relatives here.

Keep in mind the Apron and Bake Sale that will be given by St. Mary's Altar Society at Peterson's Hardware, Saturday, Dec. 19th, beginning at 11:00 A. M.

Mrs. Holger C. Schmidt, who was in Milwaukee, Wis., visiting her son, Harold, who is a patient at Columbia Hospital, reports that he is very ill. Mr. Schmidt who suffered a heart attack about the middle of November and seemed to be improving, had a relapse on Thanksgiving Day.

Misses Audrey Wolcott and Anita SanCartier were home from Ann Arbor for the week end visiting at the parental homes, the DeVere Wolcotts and Floyd SanCartiers.

Mrs. Hans Juhl is ill at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Floyd SanCartier. She was taken ill at Thanksgiving time.

Mrs. Sorenson was hostess to member of the Lutheran Junior Aid for their annual Christmas party Wednesday evening of last week at her home. Decorations in keeping with the yuletide were used throughout the home and the lunch table was pretty with the holiday colors, all making for a very festive occasion. Christmas cards were made and sent to Mrs. Hans Juhl, an absent member, who is ill. Gifts were exchanged among the members.

Mr. and Mrs. Ira Bennett of Central Lake were recent guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John McMillan. Mrs. Bennett and Mrs. McMillan are sisters.

Mr. and Mrs. John McMillan and daughter, Marilyn, were in Central Lake on business Saturday.

Lake Margrethe Extensor Group enjoyed their Christmas party at the home of Mrs. Richard Lovely Thursday evening of last week. It was a regular planned Christmas dinner with all the trimmings, and after dinner gifts were exchanged.

St. Mary's Altar Society will give one of their popular Apron and Bake sales, at Peterson's Hardware, Saturday, Dec. 19th, beginning at 11:00 A. M.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Moyer (Bernice Tinker) of Blue Lake are happy over the birth of a daughter, Kathy Lou, at Mercy Hospital on Dec. 8th. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Tinker and Mr. and Mrs. Norman Moyer, Sr. of Blue Lake are the grandparents.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Brady and

family of Ionia and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Brady of West Branch were recent guests of the gentlemen's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Brady.

Mrs. Harry Canfield and daughter, Noreen, Janet and Nancy were in Flint last week owing to the illness of her mother, Mrs. Clara Wolcott. Mrs. Canfield's sister, Mrs. Jesse Keown and daughter, Janet, had been in Flint a few days previous, owing to the mother's illness.

Mrs. Charles C. Williams left for Midland Wednesday of last week, expecting to be gone for a couple of weeks. Her son, Plean Williams and wife came to accompany her.

Mr. and Mrs. Elton Casady and children of Webberville, Mich., spent the week end visiting Mrs. Casady's mother, Mrs. George Smiggen and her brother, Frank Smiggen and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smiggen and Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Bilsby spent Friday in Saginaw.

Spend-Thursday-afternoon, Dec. 17 at Shoppenagons Inn at the benefit luncheon and card party that is being sponsored by the Mercy Hospital Aid Society. Canasta and bridge with prizes and a door prize. Tickets \$1.00. Time 1:00 o'clock.

Miss Cora Ann LaGrow, who attends Ferris Institute, Big Rapids, was home from Wednesday to Sunday for the between term recess. She brought home as a guest, Miss Virginia Reed of Mackinaw City.

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Lake Margrethe Water Level

(Information furnished by U. S.

Geological Survey)

Period of record, Nov. 12, 1942 to date:
Water level, Dec. 10, '33, 1134.11 ft.
Water level, Dec. 10, '52, 1134.23 ft.
Maximum level for period of record, April 5, 1943, 1135.39 ft.
Minimum level for period of record, Sept. 24-27, 1948, 1133.57 ft.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere thanks and appreciation to the many friends and neighbors, especially Mrs. Abbie Madill, to the nurses at Mercy Hospital, and to the F. & A. M. Lodge No. 379 of East Jordan for their many acts of kindness during the illness and

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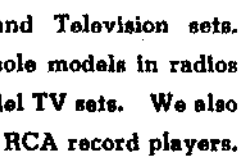
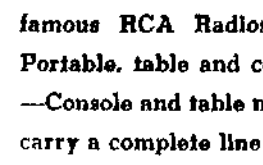
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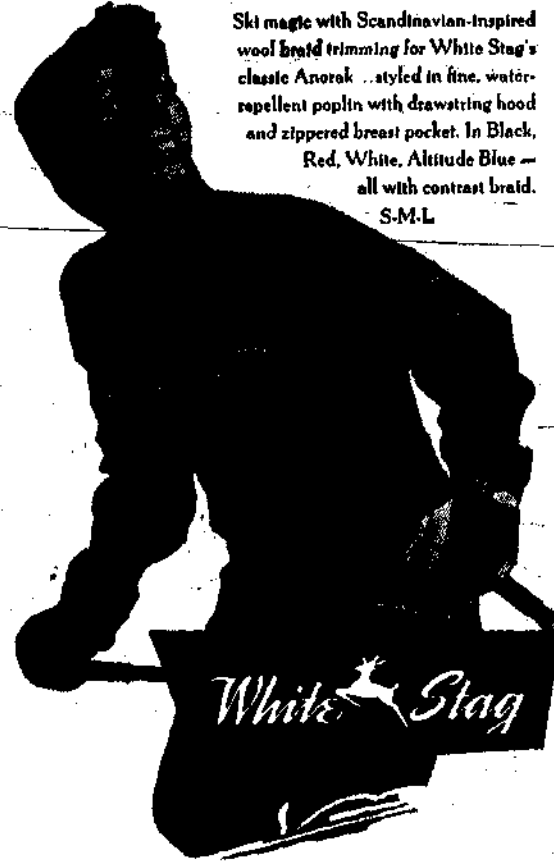
A ski jacket created in White Stag's traditional perfection for skiing. In water-repellent cotton poplin. Front zips half through collar for snug closure or collar-back wear. Two breast pockets. Black/Grey, Navy/Grey, Grey/Scarlet, Weathered Blue/Navy. S-M-L-XI

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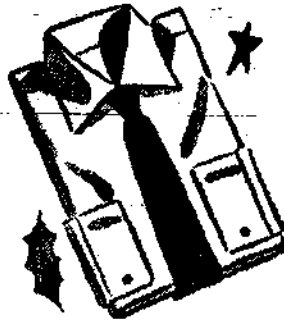
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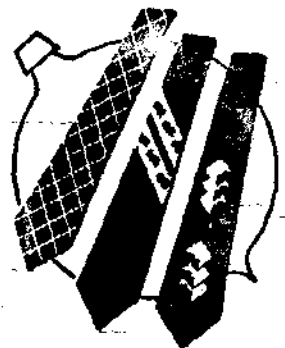
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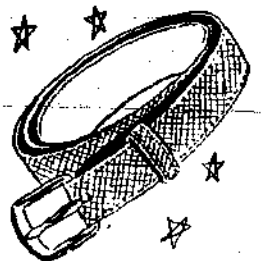
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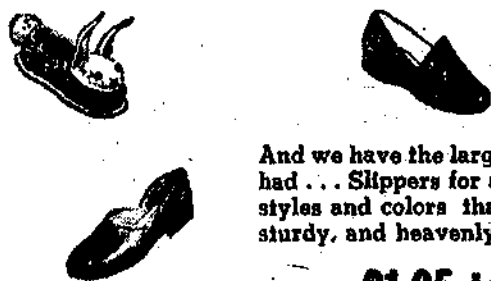
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Outline New Trout Program

An aggressive plan to preserve Michigan's brook, brown and rainbow trout populations from large-scale reduction was outlined at the December conservation commission meeting, and a public hearing on the proposals was slated January 22.

The five-point program was designed to kick off public and conservation department discussions on trout fishing regulations, with actual changes not in prospect before 1955.

Pointing to other areas where

wide-open fishing tactics have caused virtual destruction of trout populations, fish committee Chairman Donald B. McLouth, Detroit, said: "We shouldn't wait until our trout streams have been fished dry to change regulations. The time for change is now, while we still have adequate trout populations."

He read the proposed program to members of the press, and called for discussion and participation by the public at the January hearing.

The five proposed changes are:

1. Consider restricting lures used for fishing on trout streams to a single barbed hook with natural bait or artificial flies and small spinners in the range of a

single or tandem blade with a single hook of a size to be designated. This will hold except on some rainbow streams now open to late fishing.

2. Possible reduction of creel limits on brook, brown and rainbow trout in any combination to not more than eight fish in all streams.

3. Prohibit fishing on trout streams between the hours of midnight and 6 A. M.

4. Restrict fishing on trout waters to a single rod and line.

5. Establish minimum size limits of 8-10 inches on 10 streams for experimental purposes, the size limit to depend on the stream involved.

Other meetings of conservation commissioners and fish division specialists have been slated to discuss possible amendments or changes in the list of proposals. At the January public hearing, the list will then be used to open pro and con discussion of the issues involved.

THREE INSPIRING CHRISTMAS STORIES

The American Weekly with Sunday's (December 20) issue of Detroit Sunday Times presents three inspiring Christmas stories: "The Heart of Christmas" by James Hilton; "A Star for Bobby" by Manuel Komroff and "A Perfect Christmas Tree." See the American Weekly with this Sunday's Detroit Times.

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Letters To The Editor

Grayling, Michigan
Dec. 10, 1953

To the Editor:

Dear Bob:

I was one of those fortunate people who attended the band concert at the High School the evening of December 7th and shared the same thoughts with nearly every parent there which was, "That I was exceptionally proud of my child's effort which without a doubt out-classed all other children's futile attempts."

In fact it took me a couple of days to realize that maybe all the credit shouldn't go to the children. Imagine one person taking all of those little angels and direct their minds and bodies along such constructive lines when at home one or two of them nearly drive you batty.

After each selection all of us there gave out with a real round of applause and the more I think of it the more I feel that it should have been divided so that the children got 10% and Mr. Christian the other 90%.

It was an opportune event that John Philip Sousa passed on to his reward in 1932 because I have visions that my child would have been crowding him in a few years. Every day while I patiently wait for that time to come I'll be taking off my hat to our talented and unsung band director, Mr. Christian.

For obvious reasons I'll close this letter with:

"A pleased and proud parent."

Thanks to a swell fellow.

(Name with held on request)

"Drunk Drivers Go To Jail"

Sheriff John A. Papendick today announced that the Sheriff's Department of Crawford County is sponsoring the December statewide emphasis program aimed at reducing traffic deaths due to drunk driving.

According to Sheriff Papendick the drunk driving problem is extremely serious as shown by the following figures from the National Safety Council:

"In 23 out of 100 fatal accidents a driver or a pedestrian had been drinking."

"Among drivers involved in fatal accidents for whom conditions was reported, 18 out of 100 had been drinking."

"Among adult pedestrians involved in fatal accidents, 24 out of 100 had been drinking."

The Sheriff pointed out that all traffic violations are more apt to be fatal out on the open highway than they are in the city. Highway deaths have increased 33 percent in the last six years whereas city deaths have decreased nine percent.

Sheriff Papendick called upon all motorists and all highway bars and taverns to co-operate on this safety program. He pointed out that driving safely on modern high speed highways requires the motorist to be in perfect mental and physical condition and that this is a good thing to keep in mind as we approach the holiday season with all its festivities.

Dr. Merritt Urges TB Seal Support

Tuberculosis, still rank ing as Michigan's top public health problem, can be fought effectively in 1954 through generous purchase of Christmas Seals, said C. E. Merritt, M. D., health department director, in a statement released this week.

Dr. Merritt cited important services of the Michigan Tuberculosis Association financed through Christmas Seal purchases.

Case finding, to spot those with tuberculosis earlier, when recovery is more certain, and when the disease has not spread widely, is one of the services aided by Christmas Seal funds.

In fact, Dr. Merritt said, the Michigan Tuberculosis Association

has assumed the added responsibility of financing the work of a state-wide Citizens Committee to survey TB detection needs. This study, "deemed highly desirable," is being made through Christmas Seals in addition to other Michigan TB Association case finding services, the health department director pointed out.

"Particularly in the last few years," he said Christmas Seals contributions have been used to increase the effect of community-wide chest X-ray surveys.

Other programs aided in Christmas Seal purchases were listed by Dr. Merritt. Included in these were: Help in promoting earlier hospitalization of tuberculosis patients; assistance in school TB testing programs; year-round community and school health teaching programs; social and statistical research to determine shortcomings and strong points in TB programs and continued medical research for newer and better means of fighting and controlling the disease.

To support these programs, Dr. Merritt called on every area citizen to make "a generous Christmas Seal contribution this year."

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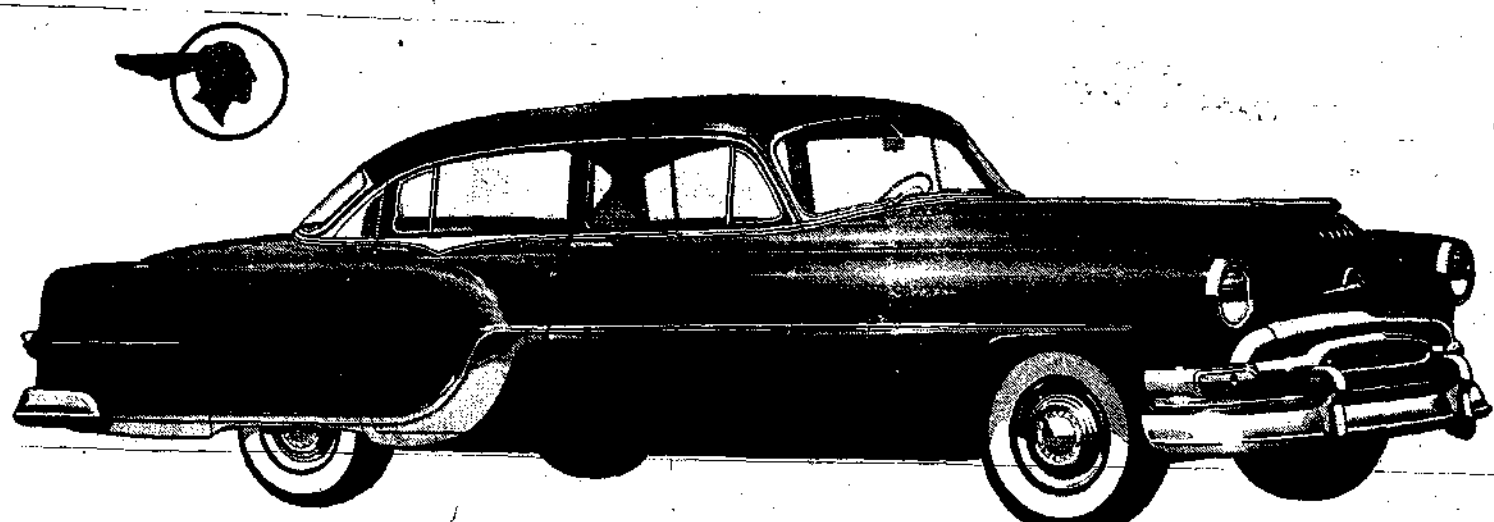
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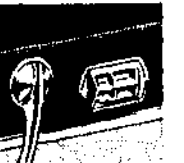
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BITS O' TALK

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Frymire and daughters spent the week end visiting her parents, the Harold MacNevens.

The Grayling Restaurant will be closed December 23rd through December 27th.

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Dr. and Mrs. J. F. Cook and Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Sorenson were co-hosts to members of the Saturday Bridge Club and their husbands at a potluck dinner at the Cook home Sunday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hayes were guests. Mrs. Hayes held high score for the ladies and Willard Cornell for the men. Mrs. Cook won the galloping prize.

Viewmaster 3D pictures of your children or family at Christmas. Call 5111 for appointment. Davis Jewelry.

Miss Joan Bond arrived home from Michigan State College Saturday to spend the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bond and brothers, Jim and John.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Hoskins of Newburg, N. Y., arrived Sunday to spend several days with her brother, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Roth. Sale 10% off on all rubbers at Olsons.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bear have returned home from the South, where the former hunted English Fallow deer in Kentucky, got one and where they visited Mrs. Bear's sister and husband, Dr. and Mrs. John Kan in Birmingham, Alabama.

Kenneth Hayden of Highland and Claude Wiles of Detroit were among those here to attend the funeral of Mrs. Tillie Snyder.

Mr. and Mrs. Matt Bidvia and Mrs. Harry Hoel returned to Grayling Tuesday of last week after spending some time in Detroit and Ann Arbor. In the latter place Mrs. Bidvia was a patient at the University Hospital.

Mrs. Alfred Keppen, and Mrs. Cecil Speight and son, Tommy, spent last week in Grayling with their parents, the Herman Bidvias, coming especially to see Mrs. Bidvia, who is a patient at Mercy Hospital.

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Mr. and Mrs. Amos Albright of Norwalk, Ohio were here to attend the funeral of Mrs. Tillie Snyder.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Kasper had as their week end guests their daughters, Miss Marian Kasper and Mr. and Mrs. Sam Murphy and daughter, Susan, of Detroit.

Andrea and Christopher Brown daughter and son of Mr. and Mrs. Carlyle Brown returned home Saturday from Munson Hospital.

Traverse City, where they had been for a week. We are happy to say that they are fine and Andrea returned to school Monday afternoon.

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Richard Atkinson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Atkinson has the following new address: A 3/C Richard B. Atkinson A.F. 16438501—13601 M. & S. Sqdn., Orlando A. F. B., Florida.

There will be a show for children of all ages Saturday afternoon at 2:00 P. M. at Michelson Memorial Church. It will be a full feature picture. There will be no charge but an offering will be taken.

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Mr. and Mrs. Paul Feldhauser and son, Henry, visited their daughter in Bay City, Friday.

Dr. and Mrs. J. F. Cook were in Caseville Thursday to attend the funeral of Samuel Cochran, father of Mrs. Bill Schweinsberg of Bay City.

Mrs. Roy Trudgeon left for Lansing, Monday to be with Mr. Trudgeon, who underwent surgery on his hand at St. Lawrence Hospital.

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Dr. and Mrs. B. Elmore Heniz were hosts at a dinner party Thursday evening given at their home on Fenimore Avenue, with the floor personnel of Mercy Hospital as their guests. Dinner was served buffet style and the 24 guests found places at small tables scattered throughout the rooms. The home was in holiday dress for the occasion and the buffet table was pretty, with a dark green cover and candelabra holding tall red tapers. Following dinner a contest was held in which Mrs. Nell Reid was the winner. This pre-Christmas party has become an annual custom with the Henizs since coming to Grayling, and makes the third such affair given by them each year during the holiday season.

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Lieut. and Mrs. Donald E. Southern (Dora Lou Broadbent) of Arlington, Va., announce the birth of a son, Dwight Douglas on Nov. 29th. The little boy weighed 8 pounds, 3 1/2 ounces. The happy grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Earl W. Broadbent of Grayling and Mrs. Elizabeth Southern of Knoxville, Tenn.

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Frank Bond, Charles Moore and Jerome Kesseler were in Lansing Friday, where they met with the Michigan Municipal Finance Commission and the State Department of Public Instruction concerning plans for the proposed new school building.

Mrs. Robert Hayes enjoyed a vacation last week from her duties at the office of Doctors Keyport, Clippert and Henig and with her mother, Mrs. C. R. Keyport and her daughter, Susan, spent several days in Detroit.

Mrs. Anne Dobbyn of Pine Lake is to arrive Friday to spend the holidays with her sister, Dr. and Mrs. C. R. Keyport.

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Mr. and Mrs. Middle LaMotte spent the week end visiting in Saginaw and Bay City.

Michelson Memorial Church School

Mrs. Jack Fenton, a former member of the church school staff, assisted in the Primary Department Sunday. Bobby and Vivian visited in their respective classes. After several months absence, the Fentons have returned to Grayling for the winter. Miss Louise Lutz, on furlough from her duties with the Women's Army Corps, was a visitor in the Senior Department. The worship service in the Senior Department was conducted by Miss Mary Jane Wakeley. Jean Holcamp and Betty Horning celebrated birthdays in the Intermediate Department. Perfect attendance banners went to Mrs. Clarence Robert's section of the Fourth Grade and to Mrs. Russell Wright's Seventh Grade. This week's sick list includes Belle Allison, Sandy and Jimmy McKee, Karen Lynn Lowrie, Anne Marie Church and Linda Knibbs. Andrea and Christopher Brown spent several days last week at Munson Hospital in Traverse City, and Sue Stephan is nursing a broken arm.

Some fifty local youngsters and several of their elders enjoyed the movie "Captain Kid," presented in the church dining room last Saturday afternoon. The church school has just purchased a motion-and-sound projector and is taking advantage of the fact that the local movie theater is closed to present full-length programs in order to help pay for the equipment. Another such program will be presented from 2-4 this Saturday afternoon.

Final rehearsals for the Christmas program will be held Wednesday and Friday of this week at 8:15. All children participating in the program should attend these rehearsals. The program will be presented in the auditorium next Sunday evening at 7.

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Lutheran Church News

Grayling Lutheran Church Sunday school is hard at work on their Christmas program to be given at Danebod, Sunday, December 20th at 7:30 P. M. Be sure to be present as we have a pleasant surprise for you.

During the Christmas season you are invited to attend the following services:

Thursday, December 24th at 5 P. M., English Christmas Eve service.

Friday, December 25th at 11 A. M., Christmas Morning service.

Please note the special Christmas greeting in this paper.

Frederic News

Mrs. Florence Leng, Mrs. Elberta Burke, Mrs. James Tobin and Mrs. Nellie Allen attended services at the Methodist Church in Gaylord Sunday.

Mrs. Frank Madill and daughter, Nelda of Moultrie, Georgia, are visiting at the Charles Post and Charles Madills.

30 friends and relatives attended the Stork shower Friday night at the Sportsman's Club for Shirley Steele (nee Duncleky). Games were played. Tables decorated just so pretty in pink and green. Jello cake and tea and coffee were served by hostesses, Mrs. Joan Kaiser, Mrs. Pat Bindschattel, Mrs. Eileen Madill and Mrs. Barbara Hinkle. Shirley received some very lovely gifts.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Doyon of Detroit and family were up to visit the Hank Doyons for the week end.

Eleven TV sets were installed here over the week end. R. J. Lozon was the salesman.

Mrs. Harry Horton is home after a 10 day visit at many points south.

Alan Leng was in Detroit last week bringing home his sister-in-law, Mrs. Ted Leng.

Mrs. A. D. Leng spent the week end in Traverse City with Mr. Leng.

Mrs. Charles Demoine and children are now residing with her sister in Grayling.

Will Flagg left Monday night for his home in Texas.

Mr. and Mrs. Andy Vandenberg of Midland spent Sunday night at the Harry Hortons, also Shirley Sparks and Mrs. Cooke. Last summer Mrs. Vandenberg was up and took colored motion pictures at Mrs. Horton's and Mrs. Cooke's homes. Last Sunday night they were shown and were very good.

Mrs. Maggie Fisher has gone to Milan to spend the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Cleo Hinkle and son received word Sunday of the sudden death of his mother, Mrs. Myron Hinkle in Jackson.

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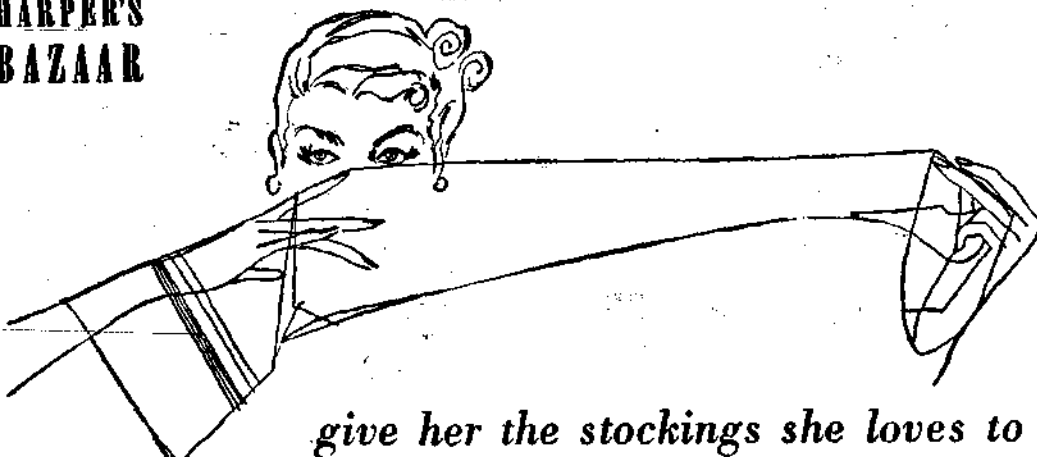
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Grayling Bowling Notes

MENS LEAGUE

AMERICAN BOWLING LEAGUE Team Standings

1 Plaza Grill	31
2 Pfeiffer's	29
3 Spike's Keg O' Nails	28
4 Hanson's Chevrolet	26
5 Midwest Linn	25
6 Baringer's	24
7 Cadillac Overall	22 1/2
8 Drewry's	20
9 Davis Jewelry	17
10 AuSable River Inn	16 1/2
11 Welsh Motors	15
12 Cason's Motel	9

Top five averages: Dean 173, Cornell 171, Dave Cook 166, Madsen 165, Jarmin 164.8, Denton 164.8.

Individual high single game: Clune 225, Jarmin 225, Cornell 224.

Individual high three game series: Dean 600, Cornell 587, Dean 581, Madsen 581.

Team high single game: Baringer's 938, Pfeiffer's 909, Pfeiffer's 895.

Team high three games: Pfeiffer's 2542, Midwest Linn 2537, Pfeiffer's 2517.

WOMENS LEAGUE

RECREATION LEAGUE Team Standings

1 Wayside Inn	33
1 Spike's	28
3 Avalanche	24 1/2
4 Hanson's Chev.	23 1/2
5 Olson's	22
6 Burns Hardware	22
7 Johnson Oil	20
8 Grayling Merc.	19
9 Tufts Dist.	18
10 Horseshoe Lake Inn	18
11 Shoppenagons Inn	17
12 Dawson's	17

Team high single: Spikes 731, Olson's 721, Burns 715.

Team three game high: Spike's 2103, Grayling Merc. 2061, Olson's 2045.

Individual single: Mary Watkins 170, Edith Long 167, Elma Marshall and Gloria Nielson 162.

Individual three game: Edith Long 481, M. Watkins 471, E. Marshall 452.

High averages: M. Watkins 146, M. LaMotte 144, M. Nielsen and J. Mathewson 140.

NORTHWOOD LEAGUE

December 11th, 1953

Team Standings	Points
1. Shirlee Shoppe	29
2. Weavers	28
3. Tip Top Togs	27
4. Sorenson's IGA	27
5. Plaza Grill	26
6. AuSable Insurance	24
7. Alley Kats	23
8. B-C-D	21
9. Mae's Drug	20
10. Sorenson's Spt. Gds.	17
11. Bear Archery	14
12. Scott's Bar	12

Team high series: Scott's Bar 2121, Shirlee Shoppe 2113, Sorenson's IGA 2109, Plaza Grill 2059.

Tip Top Togs 2033.

Team high single game: Weavers 726, Shirlee Shoppe 724, Sorenson's IGA 719, Tip Top Togs 717, Shirlee Shoppe 712.

Individual High Series: C. Sorenson 494, E. Long 494, M. Kolke 478, M. Watkins 472, Ann Smith 468.

Single high game: M. Kolke 191, R. Reetz 181, C. Sorenson 179, B. Cornell 177, M. Watkins 170.

Doubles Matches

A series of doubles matches are held from Monday to Monday each week at the Community Bowling Alleys. The games may be rolled at any time with the doubles team being man and wife, two men or two women. The charge is \$1.50 for three games with 35c going into prize money. At the end of the week, the high pair receive 50 per cent of the prize money, second place 30 per cent and third 20 per cent. The matches are based on a 75 per cent handicap basis.

Art Allen and Dr. J. F. Cook were winners last week with a total of 1265 pins. Dave Cook and Vernon Rasmussen were second with 1238 pins, while George Quinn and Lyle Bilsby took third place with 1199 pins.

CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH NEWS

The Ladies Missionary Group met at the home of Mrs. A. E. Hendrickson to elect new officers for the coming year: President, Mrs. Clayton Kellogg; secretary and treasurer, Mrs. Ted McEvers; sun shine secretary, Mrs. Gerry McEvers. The next meeting will be at Mrs. Clayton Kellogg's, the first Tuesday of January.

The Christmas program will be Sunday night, December 20. Everyone invited.

Mrs. Hollie Luter is the new teacher of the Junior girls.

Mr. and Mrs. Wolff of Detroit visited her sister, Mrs. Joe Bieski the past week.

The men were planning more work on the new addition to the church basement.

Ed Welsh is still very ill, also their son-in-law, Leroy Herrick is very ill in the Sparrow Hospital at Lansing.

Advertise in the Avalanche

Local Club To Discuss Fishing

The Grayling Sportsmen's Club plans an all-out discussion at their meeting this Wednesday night on the proposed changes in the trout fishing regulations.

Club officers issued an appeal for all members to attend and at the same time issued an invitation to anyone who is interested in the proposed changes to attend.

The club hopes to arrive at a consensus as far as Grayling is concerned on this important fishing regulation change and to report it to the Conservation Commission at their hearing on the proposals on January 20 at Higgins Lake.

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The Era Of The Common Man

The Daily Review, Clifton Forge, Virginia, recently devoted an editorial to a story which has been making the rounds in England. Here's the way it goes:

An agitator was addressing a crowd of workers. When the era of the common man arrives, he told them, "You will enjoy the pleasures of the rich. You will walk down Park Lane wearing a top hat."

A listener interrupted to say, "He'd rather have a cloth cap."

The agitator said the man could keep his cap if he wished and continued: "You'll wear a cutaway coat and pinstripe trousers."

Again the listener broke in, saying, "I'm more comfortable in corduroys."

The agitator, annoyed, said that would be permissible, and went on: "And you'll ride to work in a Rolls Royce."

Once more he was interrupted: "He'd rather use me bike."

This time the agitator leaped from the platform and grabbed the man by the sleeve. "Listen you," he said, "come the era of the common man and you'll do what you are blooming well ordered to do!"

That's an amusing story. It is also much more. It is a perfect commentary on what inevitably happens under socialism, communism or any other form of dictatorship—you do what you are ordered to do.

Government Must Take First

Governor Hugh Gregg of New Hampshire recently said, "Remember this: No government, federal or state, can give you anything which it has not first taken from you."

It might seem that so undeniable a proposition

would be known to anyone. But it is plain that a great many of us still cherish the illusion that government can give us all kinds of services and benefits at little or no cost to us.

Actually, of course, we get back from government much less than what it takes from us. Waste and extravagance are the great depreciators of our tax dollars.

Interesting Events In Grayling 23 Years Ago

INTERESTING ITEMS OF NEWS GATHERED FROM THE FILES OF THE AVALANCHE OF 31 YEARS AGO

The condition of T. E. Douglas, who has been a patient at Mercy Hospital for several months, is very hopeless at the present time.

Word has been received of the serious illness of Mrs. Burton Graham (Hazel Mire) at her home in Durand. Mrs. Graham at one time attended Grayling schools.

Miss Mary Jorgenson, a former resident of Grayling, who while here made her home with the Neils Michelson family, passed away Monday night in Detroit.

An all-star team of athletes from Central State Teachers College lost a thriller in basketball that took two extra periods to decide who was the winner. But the Northern Lights were the victors by a 16-12 score. The collegians featured four Grayling products when Lewis Engel, Don Emery, Alva Stephan and Elmer Fenton returned again to appear before a local crowd: Stars that night for the Northern Lights were Harrison and Sheshey. The Lumberjacks lost the same evening to the Bay City "Y's".

Mrs. Axel Larson entertained

the Birthday Club at her home Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. Earl Marshall and son, Melvin, are spending a few days in Kalamazoo and Detroit.

The Eastern Stars are giving a Christmas party for their members and children Monday evening at the Legion Hall.

Harry Reynolds of Flint spent a few days here hunting.

"Our Gang" Sewing Club will hold a Christmas party for their children at the Temple Theatre Saturday afternoon.

Adolph Peterson is employed at the present time in Mackinaw City.

Nelson G. Farrier of Hillman, representative in the State Legislature from this district passed away December 7.

Mrs. Fred Alexander was hostess to the Bridge Club. Mrs. Esbern Hanson held high score.

George Burke is showing one of the new Ford Victoria De Luxe

cars in his show room. There are many new features in it, one the sloping windshield.

Dr. C. J. Green will close his dental office from December 24th to January 2nd. He and his family will spend the holidays in Milwaukee.

Mr. and Mrs. Matt Jordan of Melvor, Mich., spent the week end with the former's brother, Henry Jordan.

48 Years Ago — Dec. 19, 1907 The McKay House has changed hands again. Jeff McMahon is the new landlord.

P. Michelson is the manager of the hotel part of the Manistee House, Mr. Anderson retiring.

Alfred Olson is at Mariette taking a special course in pharmacy.

Esbern Hanson is visiting in San Francisco, taking in the sights of the earthquake city.

Our winter arrived last Saturday with an all-day snowfall. About 12 inches of snow and temperatures moderate makes the lumbermen happy.

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A bowling contest was held between two Maccabee teams. Ed Nolan and Laurence Pillsbury were the captains. Following are the three game totals for Ed Nolan 546, Jake Letzkus 387, Will Shoemaker 386, Fred Aebli 362, Perry Sorenson 310; Pillsbury's team: Wilfred Laurant 410, Abe Joseph 407, Carl Collen 353, Pillsbury 348, James Ross 345. Nolans side won.

Roscommon boasts of a new printing office. Its first paper, the "Roscommon Herald" is to appear today. Mr. Matheson, the editor, made us a fraternal call.

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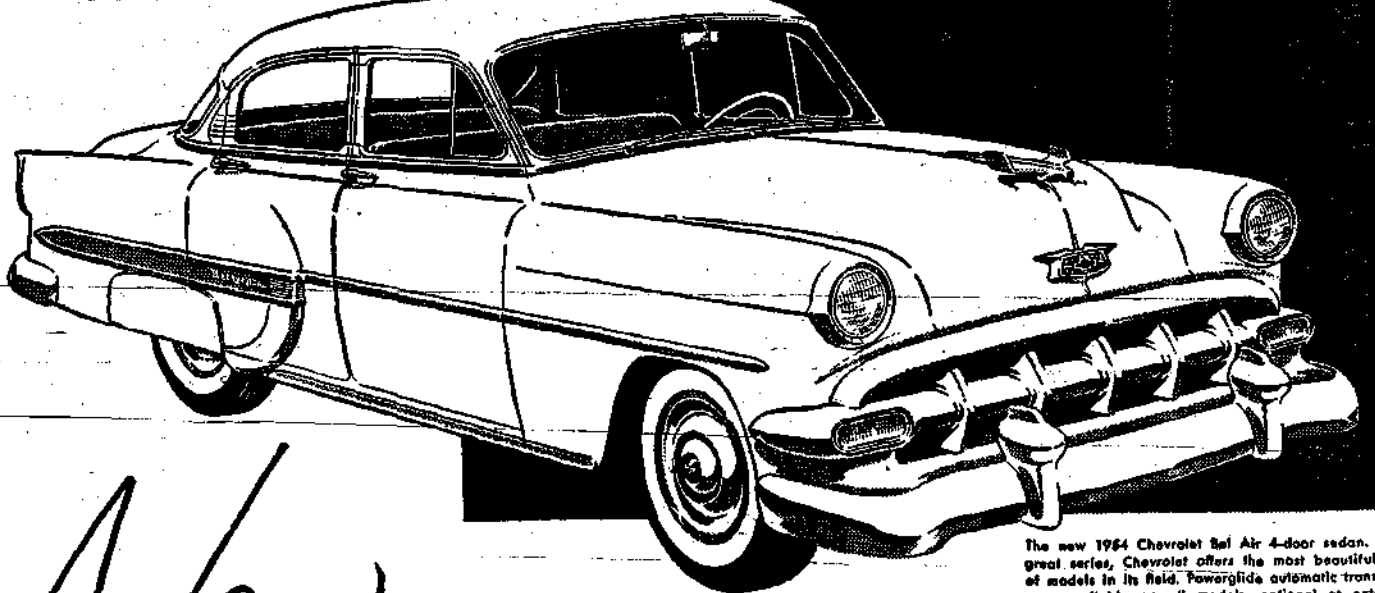
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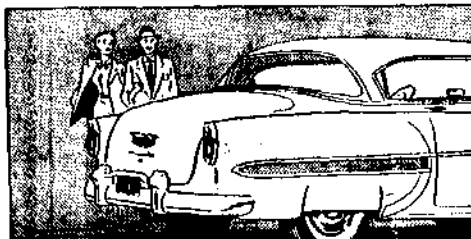
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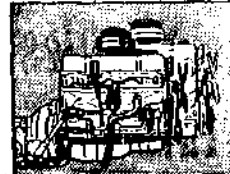


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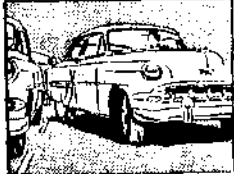
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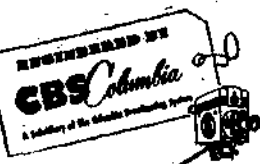
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— 2:30 P. M. —

Children from three years old and children up to and including the 5th grade from the Frederic School, Lovells, Maple Forest and Frederic Townships.

— 3:00 P. M. —

Kindergarten and first grade from Grayling Schools.

— 3:30 P. M. —

Second and third grades from Grayling Schools.

— 4:00 P. M. —

Fourth and fifth grades from Grayling Schools.

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GRAYLING, MICHIGAN

ALL CHILDREN PLEASE BE ON TIME BECAUSE OF THE FULL AFTERNOON SCHEDULE.

Winter Driving Can Be Safe, So Don't Spoil Yule

Winter driving can be safe by being sensible about it.

That's the statement made by Sergeant Hiram Grimsom, commander of the Houghton Lake Post of the Michigan State Police, in calling attention to the fact that December is one of the deadliest months of the year.

Don't spoil your holidays with an avoidable accident," Sergeant Grimsom said. "By following a half dozen winter driving suggestions you can greatly increase your safety. The trouble is, too many drivers don't do these things and that is the big reason for the startling record that during December of the last five years nearly 300 persons have been killed and another 20,000 injured on Michigan highways.

"If one driver follows these tips he will help to protect himself and others, but he will still be at the mercy of the driver who doesn't. So all drivers should think enough of each other and pedestrians to co-operate in the suggestions and cut down the winter driving traffic toll."

Here are the tips:

1. Be prepared to meet any situation on the road.
2. Get the "feel" of the road. Try brakes occasionally while driving slowly and away from traffic. Find out just how slippery the road is and adjust speed to road and weather conditions.
3. Keep the windshield clear of ice and snow, fog and frost. Be sure headlights, windshield wiper blades and defrosters are in top condition.

4. Use tire chains on ice and snow. Chains will cut stopping distances about half and give four to seven times more starting and climbing traction.

5. Pump the car's brakes to slow down or stop. Jamming on the brakes will lock the wheels and throw the vehicle into a dangerous skid.

6. Follow other cars at a safe distance. It takes three to 12 times as far to stop on snow and ice as on dry pavement.

Estimate Deer Kill 70,000

Michigan hunters dropped an estimated 70,000 deer from the state's herd during the recently-ended season, the Conservation Department reports.

Based on traffic counts and field game workers' estimates, researchers totaled their "guesstimate" of the entire season kill.

They said the total was subject to lots of possible errors, and noted that a more accurate tally would be given out after the post card poll and hunters report cards have been processed. This work, however, generally takes several months for completion.

The game workers' estimate shows for the regular season that 23,500 deer were taken in the Upper Peninsula, 27,000 in the Northern Lower Peninsula, and 1,500 in the Southern Lower Peninsula—a total almost identical to the 52,200 total regular season buck kill of last year.

In addition, hunters took about 18,000 bucks, does and fawns during the one-day special season in the Northern Lower Peninsula this year. Last year, during the three-day special season, somewhat more than 100,000 bucks, does and fawns were taken.

The Upper Peninsula kill was higher than last year's 19,000 largely, game men believe, because of an increase in hunting pressure.

The Northern Lower Peninsula buck kill was somewhat higher than game men had expected; last year 31,000 legal bucks were taken in the region during the regular season. The three-day special season, an additional 25,000 buck fawns—along with doe fawns—were taken. Game workers expected this buck fawn kill would cause considerable drop in the legal buck kill this fall, but the 27,000 bag estimate indicates last year's fawn crop was larger than originally thought.

The 1,500 deer taken in the Southern Lower Peninsula this year exceeded the 1,100 bagged in the region last year; from year to year, however, hunters take about the same number of deer in this region and slight fluctuations generally only indicate differences in hunting pressure and conditions.

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"Pack" hunting is nothing more or less than the pursuit of game by large groups of hunters, using a pack of dogs.

The method adapts itself well to the chase for bear, coyote, foxes, and bobcats—and in each case the dogs must be specially trained to do their job, "proofed" against any interest in other animal scent.

Fox Hunters Start Sport

For long years here and abroad fox hunters have organized in large bands, trailing a pack of hounds either afoot or on horseback. Today right here in Michigan there are scores of extremely active fox-hunting groups now beginning their hunting seasons throughout the state. It is not at all unusual to see one hundred hunters scattered in an organized pattern over the landscape while a dozen hounds scour hill and dale in chase of an elusive fox. If the fox gets to his den before a hunter bags him the master of hounds uses an ancient horn to call in the pack and start a fresh track. It's all very colorful, affording good, wholesome outdoor sport for a lot of hunters.

And if you'll watch for news of these fox hunting clubs you'll find they're always eager to welcome newcomers to share the thrill of the chase.

'Cat Hunting Tough'

While fox hunting is most productive in the southern half of the state where more open country is available, the bobcat hunting "pack" faces a much tougher problem. The cat hunt usually begins and ends in a swamp—usually two different swamps several miles apart!

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Bear Hunt A Specialty

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Legion Auxiliary News

Grayling Unit, 106, held their business meeting December 8th with eight officers and 11 members present. Meeting was called to order by President Junita Gibson.

Remember the date December 22nd. Come and help fill stockings for the Kiddies Xmas party which is December 23.

Five applications were read for new members and accepted. A nice report was given on our thanksgiving supper by Berle Moore.

A past presidents pin was presented to Pearl Mathews by Junior Past President Margaret Tinker.

A pretty sight was witnessed by all when 26 new members had their initiation. Those taking part in the initiation were Mary Jorgenson, Juana Gibson, Margaret Tinker, Gloria Tinker, Berle Moore, Cecile Church and Elsie Rasmussen.

Twenty-six new members who had initiations were as follows: Margaret Balch, Jacqueline Mathewson, Rowena Billsby, Eva Melroy, Doris Case, Emma Muth, Nina Doremire, Jeraldine Muth,

Lora Gould, Alice Pratt, Ann Hanson, Beatrice Skinner, Irene Hatfield, Ardith Smiggins, Louise Hatfield, Martha Smiggins, Jennie Hornung, Edress Sorenson, Fernie Johnson, Jean Rasmussen, Dorothy Stillwagon, Elsie Swarthout, Alberta Tahvonen, Phyllis Thompson, Laura Tinker and Thelma Tinker.

Through initiation each girl was presented with a flag and a poppy. Congratulations girls, and let's see you out to our meetings, 2nd and 4th Tuesdays.

We then went down stairs and a lovely lunch was served by the hostesses.

Bertha Winslow, Publicity Chairman.

LEGAL NOTICES

STATE OF MICHIGAN

The Probate Court for the County of Crawford

At a session of said Court, held at the Probate Office in the City of Grayling in said County on the 9th day of December, 1953.

Present: Hon. Robert F. Neafie, Judge of Probate.

In the Matter of the Estate of John Siodack, deceased.

Charles E. Moore having filed in said Court his final administration account, and his petition praying for the allowance thereof and for the assignment and distribution of the residue of said estate.

It is Ordered, that the 11th day of January, 1954, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, at said Probate Office, be and is hereby appointed for examining and allowing said account and hearing said petition.

It is Further Ordered, that publication of a copy of this order, once in each week for three weeks consecutively, previous to said day of hearing, in the Crawford Avalanche, a newspaper printed and circulated in said County.

Robert F. Neafie, Judge of Probate.

A true copy, Robert F. Neafie, Judge of Probate. 17-24-31-7

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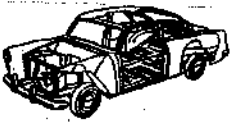
I acknowledge with sincere thanks the kindness of my friends during my recent illness. For the lovely cards, flowers from Bear Archery and Danish Senior Aid Society, and Rev. Enselmann for his prayer offered during church service in my behalf.

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BITS O' TALK

Lon Colten has gone to Port Richey, Fla., to spend the winter as he has done for several years. William Brown accompanied him on the trip to look over the country down there.

Mrs. K. K. Kitchen of Bay City spent Wednesday of last week visiting her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Martin Kitchen and daughter, Martin Kitchen is employed in Flint and his family will be joining him soon. At present they are visiting the Kitchens in Bay City.

Emerson Hoseli has completed his year's work sailing on the Great Lakes and has joined his family in Poplar Bluffs, Missouri.

Sorenson's ambulance transferred Edwin W. Hartig, who was so seriously injured in an auto accident the latter part of November, from Mercy Hospital to Saginaw General Hospital. Saginaw is the home of the Hartig family.

Mrs. Carl E. Johnson returned Wednesday from LeRoy, Mich., where she had visited relatives and friends for a few days. While there she attended a Smorgasbord given by a church group there.

Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Aldrich and two little sons spent the week end in Greenville visiting relatives of Mrs. Aldrich.

The P. T. A. of the Feldhauser school held their regular monthly meeting at the school, Monday evening of last week with 18 adults and four children present. Mrs. William Wyss, president, presided at the meeting. A lovely new indoor American flag has been donated by an anonymous giver and now graces the school room. A certain amount of money was allowed Mrs. Thomas Robertson, teacher, to buy Christmas treats for the children and also a gift from the P. T. A. for the school, which will be used for the purchase of new records, as last year the school was presented with a record player from the Association. Mothers are helping with the costumes that are to be worn in a Christmas program. Lunch was served at the close of the meeting by Mrs. Wyss, Mrs. James Wakeley and Mrs. Wellman Vallad.

Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Hall had as recent guests the former's mother and brothers, Mrs. Marie Hall, Vernon Hall and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hall of Bay City. They came to take home their trailer that they had had here during hunting season.

Mrs. Theodore Visnaw and daughter, Mrs. Bernard Hall were in Saginaw Saturday to attend the funeral of the former's uncle, Emil DeWaele, age 89 years, who passed away on Dec. 9th. Mr. DeWaele resided in Grayling many years ago, at that time being employed as a lumber scaler for Selling, Hanson Co. He lost both legs some 20 years ago that resulted from an injury which at the time seemed to be minor.

Members of the John J. Ries Council of Knights of Columbus entertained their wives at a venison dinner in the dining room of St. Michael's Church Monday evening of last week. Most of the members from Grayling and their wives were in attendance. The meal which was a very fine one was prepared and cooked by the men folks and the dishes were cleared away and washed by them. After dinner cards were enjoyed by some of the ladies and a conservation movie was shown. This has become an annual affair with the Council and is looked forward to each year with a lot of pleasure.

Mr. and Mrs. Don J. Clune entertained their Pinocchio Club on Sunday evening, Dec. 6th, at their home in Karen Woods.

Walter Horning and son, John, of Midland were recent guests at the home of the former's uncle, David Horning.

Mrs. George Skingley and Mrs. A. L. Hull left Sunday to spend a few days in Wyandotte, where they will be guests of the former's daughter, Mrs. Vernon Gardiner and family.

Home Extension Group III met at the home of Mrs. S. D. Palmer on Dec. 4th and the lesson on "Basket Weaving" was given by Mrs. Leo Jorgenson. Each one present worked on weaving a bun basket, which are very pretty. As the baskets were not completed another meeting is being held tonight (Thursday) at the home of Mrs. Elmer Rasmussen, in order to finish them. Mrs. Palmer was assisted in entertaining by Mrs. Frank Serven and at the time lunch was served gifts were exchanged by the members. Mrs. William Christenson was a guest of the group.

Dr. and Mrs. Gerald Gibbons spent last week end in Detroit, Ann Arbor and East Lansing. They visited their sons in East Lansing and Ann Arbor, where they are attending college. While in Ann Arbor, they attended Handel's "Messiah" which was performed with a chorus of 500 voices.

City Manager Russell Carlson had a most unusual bouquet on his desk last week. It consisted of two dandelions picked on Michigan Avenue. Florida has nothing on us.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Fenton and family, who have been residing at Whitehall, Mich., have returned to Grayling to again take up their residence. They are residing in their trailer home in the City Park.

Mrs. Albert Knibbs, Mrs. Russell Moshier, Mrs. Charles Kewey and Mrs. Pearl Matthews spent Wednesday of last week in Traverse City.

Mrs. John Stephan was hostess to the Past Presidents of the Ladies National League at her home Wednesday of last week for their Christmas party. It began with a 6:30 o'clock dinner. After dinner games were enjoyed with prizes going to Mrs. Paul Feldhauser, Mrs. Pearl Matthews, and Mrs. Hattie Moshier. Mrs. Marguerite Leslie won the door prize.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Trudgeon were in Lansing Tuesday of last week and on Friday the former left to enter St. Lawrence Hospital, where he will undergo surgery on his right hand which has been giving him trouble. He expects to be gone about ten days.

Mrs. Leo Lovely and Mrs. Eugene Papendick spent Tuesday of last week in Bay City on business.



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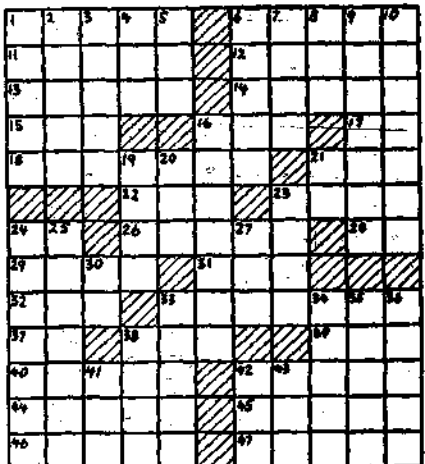
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8. Shatter
11. On more
12. Wrote "Common Sense"
13. Fortified (S. Asia)
15. Keel-billed ruckoo
16. Pig pen
17. Pair (abbr.)
18. Lion-like
21. Likely
22. River (So. Am.)
23. Run away
24. Thus
26. Postpone
28. Thoron (abbr.)
29. Leg joint
31. Charge for services
32. Member of Indonesian tribe
33. Susceptibility to
37. Tantalum (sym.)
38. Parson bird (var.)
39. Coin (Swed.)
40. Mistake
42. Helmet-shaped part
44. Larini
45. Near (poet.)
46. Roman river
47. Strong woody fibers

DOWN

1. Intrigue
2. Ago (archaic)
3. Means of communication
4. Contend
5. Half ones
6. Rancor
7. Great deal
8. Help
9. Small piece
10. Encourage
11. Kind of bride bit
12. Nest of young pheasants
19. Frozen water
21. Mulberry
23. Liberate
24. Water striders
25. Province (Can.)
27. Laim-prey
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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE OF MORTGAGE

SALE

DEFAULT having been made in the conditions of a certain Mortgage made by Earl L. Moody and Lilah M. Moody, his wife, to William VonSee and Virginia VonSee, his wife, dated the 18th day of November 1949 and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds for the County of Crawford and State of Michigan, on the 24th day of November 1953, in Liber 42 of Mortgages, on page 110, on which Mortgage there is claimed to be due at the date of this notice, the sum of one thousand eight hundred and eighty-eight dollars, eighty-six cents, and the further sum of Fifty dollars as Attorney's fees, making the whole amount claimed to be due at the date of this notice, to-wit, the sum of \$1,938.86, to which amount will be added at the time of sale all taxes and insurance that may be paid by the said Mortgages between the date of this notice and the time of said sale; and no proceedings at law having been instituted to recover the debt now remaining secured by said Mortgage, or any part thereof, whereby the power of sale contained in said Mortgage has become operative;

Now Therefore, Notice is Hereby Given that by virtue of the power of sale contained in said Mortgage and in pursuance of the statute in such case made and provided, the said Mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the premises therein described or so much thereof as may be necessary, at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the front door of the Court House in the City of Grayling, Michigan, and County of Crawford, Michigan, that being the place for holding the Circuit Court in and for said County, on Monday the first day of March 1954, at ten o'clock P.M.

and said premises will be sold to pay the amount so as aforesaid then due on said Mortgage together with four per cent interest, legal costs, Attorney's fees and also any taxes and insurance that said Mortgage does pay on or prior to the date of said sale; which said premises are described in said Mortgage as follows, to-wit:

That certain piece or parcel of land situated in the Township of Lovells, Crawford County, Michigan, described as the North ten acres of the Northeast fractional quarter of the Northwest fractional quarter of Section nineteen, Township twenty-eight North, Range one West.

Dated December 1, 1953.
William VonSee and
Virginia VonSee
Mortgagees

HARRY T. COOK
Attorney for Mortgagees
Business address:
Alden, Michigan Phone 2-25-54

STATE OF MICHIGAN

The Probate Court for the

County of Crawford

At a session of said Court, held

at the Probate Office in the City

of Grayling in said County on the

2nd day of December, 1953.

Present, Honorable Robert F.

Neafie, Judge of Probate.

In the Matter of the Estate of

Marjorie M. McNamara, Deceased.

Leslie Lemieux having filed in

said Court his final administration

account, and his petition praying

for the allowance thereof and for

the assignment and distribution of

the residue of said estate.

It is Ordered, That the 2nd day

of January 1954, at 10:00 o'clock

in the forenoon, at said Probate

Office, be and is hereby appointed

for examining and allowing

said account and hearing said

petition.

It is Further Ordered, That pub-

lic notice thereof be given by pub-

lication of a copy of this order,

once in each week for three weeks

consecutively, previous to said

day of hearing, in the Crawford

Avalanche a newspaper printed

and circulated in said County.

Robert F. Neafie
Judge of ProbateA true copy
Robert F. Neafie
Judge of Probate 10-17-24-31

STATE OF MICHIGAN

The Probate Court for the

County of Crawford

At a session of said Court, held

at the Probate Court in the City

of Grayling in said County, on the

1st day of December, 1953.

Present: Hon. Robert F. Neafie,

Judge of Probate.

In the Matter of the Estate of

Andrew R. Caid, deceased.

Notice is hereby given, that the

petition of Russell G. Caid, pray-

ing that the administration of said

estate be granted to Ruth Caid or

to some other suitable person; and

that the heirs of said deceased be

determined, will be heard at the

Probate Court on the 25th day of

January, 1954, at 10 o'clock in the

forenoon.

It is Ordered that the notice

thereof be given by publication of

a copy hereof for three successive

weeks previous to said day of

hearing, in the Crawford A-
valanche and that the petitioner

shall, at least 14 days prior to such

hearing, cause a copy of this no-

tice to be mailed to each known

party in interest in this estate at

his last known address by regis-

tered mail, return receipt de-

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Grayling Public
School News

Kindergarten News

Nancy Sorenson

Wednesday morning we had a going away party for one of our little friends, Jo Ann Mattison, who will be leaving us soon. The party was given by Jo Ann's grandmother, Mrs. Owens. The party was very much of a treat for Thanksgiving as well as a going away party for Jo Ann.

This week we have started on a new workbook called, "My Kindergarten".

For Thanksgiving we have been making turkeys and cranberry men. We also had a story about Pricilla and Timothy Johnson Jones. Something new has been added, finger painting. The children enjoy this a great deal. With their paintings they will make covers for animal books.

Third Grade News

Sandy Strong

There are quite a few of the children went visiting over the Thanksgiving holidays. Among them were Christopher Croll, Julie Carlson, Kay Blanchard, Darlene and Ronald Moore, Donna Tenion, Dick Spring and Tommy Wright.

Lee Wheat has been sick all week and everybody misses him. They all hope he gets well soon.

The third grade has sold \$8.02 worth of Christmas Seals.

They are reading very good Indian stories, also in this line they read Thanksgiving Loaves which they all enjoyed very much.

Fourth Grade News

Carolyn Deyett

Mrs. Giegling has just finished reading the stories "Misty" and "Sea Star" and they were so much enjoyed by the children that they have written to Virginia to see when "Pony Penning Day" is. She is now reading "Sagawawa" or "Bird Girl" to them.

In order to have the privilege of attending gym classes and the privilege of knitting, the students have to have a passing mark for the day, so they've been working extra hard on their arithmetic tables to attain this mark.

The students have discussed National Education Week and National Book Week. They are bringing books from home and are starting a library in their room. They call this project "sharing their books with others."

Knitting boxes have been made by the students. Everyone has started knitting except three boys. The students hope that these three will get started soon. Knitting is supposed to teach co-ordination besides being a lot of fun.

The art class has made free-hand paper cutting pictures showing the Pilgrims landing on Plymouth Rock. These are in black and white but show that the students have great artistic abilities.

Fifth Grade

Caroline Long

For Thanksgiving, the class divided into three groups and put on original plays. A Christmas tree has been put on the board and each student who gets an A puts a ball on the tree and the most A's puts the star on the top at Christmas. A Christmas program is being played with the class learning Christmas poems. Arnold Stancil left December 2nd for Florida for a month.

Sixth Grade
Reporters this week were Larry Crouch, Bill Heath and Raymond Halstead. Jimmy Schafer, who is in Traverse City with polo has improved. Anna Marie Stancil left December 2nd for Florida for a month. A circus that was given for the whole school was much enjoyed by the class. December 2nd the Sixth Grade had perfect attendance, first time in three weeks. A study of Caterpillar eggs and the difference between polliwogs and tadpoles was made this week. The girls are practicing the Star Dance for the Christmas program for P. T. A.

Nurses Department

Shirley Canfield

The milk program started Monday, November 16. Ninety 1/2 pints are being used. Seventy at the North Side School and twenty at the South Side School. The milk program is sponsored by our Kiwanis Club.

Four children were taken to Traverse City, Michigan, for vision correction.

We are glad to have Judy Kenyon back with us. Judy underwent surgery at St. Mary's Hospital, Saginaw.

Mary Lou Demno has been released from Mercy Hospital. Hurry and get back to school, Mary Lou.

Hazel Canfield has returned home from Munson Hospital, Traverse City. She underwent surgery. Hazel is now back in school.

Mrs. Stripe brought the Audiometer to school last Wednesday afternoon and checked the students who were absent for the hearing Tests before we also brought in several students who had had slight ear infections. Twenty-five students have been referred for the Pure Tone Test.

Enjoy Vacation

Rita Sorenson

Last Thursday and Friday the students of Grayling High School enjoyed a two day vacation from school. They were dismissed Wednesday at 4:00 due to Thanksgiving on Thursday.

The High School students took their six weeks exams Tuesday and Wednesday before being dismissed to celebrate the holiday.

Glee Club News

Carolyn Deyett

The girls in the Glee Club have been practicing steadily these past few weeks on the Christmas Carols. This year's Carols is a combination of all the well-known Christmas Carols and is arranged very beautifully. The date for the Carols has been set at De-

cember 13, 1953, which is on a Sunday. The time will be at 4:00 P. M. During the next few weeks, practices will be held after supper so that all the grown ups may practice together and thus prepare a fine performance.

Shop News

Rita Visnaw

Four new archery target stands were completed by Dale Rohde. They fold which helps to store them away in less space.

Several hurdles were repaired for the Athletic Department. Toy repair is progressing nicely. More are needed if we intend to have them finished before the Christmas holidays.

Kelth Warner has enrolled in our class. He formerly attended school at Arthur Hill High in Saginaw. He is a sophomore.

The Eighth and Ninth classes are busy making drawings. When the drawing is completed the remainder of the school year will be spent on manipulative processes in wood. Some metal working will also be attempted using tin cans and sheet metal.

John Robertson and Donald Thompson have completed turning out table lamps, using old bowling pins that were given to the school by Spike MacNeven several years ago. All Tenth graders are taught how to use power machinery.

Sadie Hawkins Dance

Phyllis Goss

The annual Sadie Hawkins dance was given by the Seniors on Friday, December 4, 1953.

This was the chance all the gals had been waiting for. They could ask out the one they have secretly admired without being forward.

On hand to help make this one of a series of all school dances, a success were the following committees—Music, Margaret Moore, Donna Morency, JoAnn Lennert, Decorations, Marilyn Vincent, Rita Sorenson, Nancy Sorenson, Pat Keelean, Tickets, Joanne Andrews, Carol Mikessell, John Jackson, Roger Kessler, Jim Bond, Tom Kearney. Advertisement, Rita Visnaw, Sylvia Robertson, Carolyn Deyett, Phyllis Randolph, Clean-up, Dick Dunham, Frank Ludeman, John Jackson, Chuck Decker, Walter Galvani. Concession, Jackie Hunter, Greta Rasmussen, Caroline Long.

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